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RESEARCH INTEREST

Human Computer Interaction, Computer Supported Cooperative Work, Social Computing

EDUCATION

University of Washington

Seattle, WA, USA

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Website: https://5oobin.github.io/website

Ph.D. in Human Centered Design and Engineering

Sep 2023 - present

Advisors: Prof. David McDonald and Prof. Mark Zachry

Seoul National University

Seoul, South Korea

M.S. in Intelligence and Information

Sep 2019 - Feb 2022

Advisor: Prof. Joongseek Lee

GPA: 4.00 / 4.30

Thesis: Study on Remote Studying Activity with Video Conferencing Tool to Feel the Presence of Others:

Focusing on Revealing and Hiding Themselves through Videos

Ewha Womans University

Seoul, South Korea

BA in International Studies (conc. in Business and Economics)

Mar 2013 - Feb 2019

BA in Advertising and Public Relations

GPA: 3.98 / 4.30 (3rd/36); Major GPA: 4.01 / 4.30

Research Projects

Utilizing Generative AI for Dispute Resolution between Wikipedians

Graduate Research Assistant, University of Washington

Sep 2023 - present

Conducting desk research on online community dispute resolution and AI moderator

Designing a New Video Conferencing Interface for Virtual Studying

Personal Project, UX Lab

Jan 2022 - Apr 2022

Designed video conferencing interfaces and conducted a user study with 10 users [p.6]

Understanding Co-Studying Activity on Video Conferencing Rooms

Personal Project, UX Lab

Jan 2021 - Jan 2022

Conducted 42 interviews, a survey with 107 users, and analysis of 464 video conference screens [c.1]

Designing a Knowledge-Sharing Chatbot for Residents of a Co-Living Space

Project Manager, UX Lab

 $\rm Jul~2020$ - $\rm Jan~2021$

Conducted eight interviews and a workshop with 15 users for chatbot design, and conducted a

one-week case study with 19 users [p.3, p.5]

Understanding Single Households' Use of Smart Speakers

Project Manager, UX Lab

 $\rm Jul~2020$ - $\rm Jan~2021$

Conducted a six-week field study with 19 users, including an analysis of 2,491 utterance data [p.4]

Investigating Information Needed for Awareness between Remote Workers

Personal Project, UX Lab

Mar 2020 - Jun 2020

Designed a pseudo-service and conducted a one-week case study with a group of eight users [p.2]

Building a Smart Speaker Application for Classical Music Beginners

Graduate Research Assistant, UX Lab

Sep 2019 - Jan 2020

Assisted conversation design and collected VOCs during a 15-day case study with 25 users

Investigating Auditory Cues for Separateness of AI Speaker Services

Personal Project, UX Lab

Designed conversational agent prototypes and conducted a user study with 10 users [p.1]

Oct 2019 - Nov 2019

CONFERENCE PAPERS

[c.1] Soobin Cho, Joongseek Lee, and Bongwon Suh. 2023. "I Want to Reveal, but I Also Want to Hide" Understanding Virtual Study Room and Its Inherent Conflict of Revealing and Hiding Needs. In Companion Publication of the 2023 Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing (CSCW '23). [paper]

POSTERS AND EXTENDED ABSTRACTS

- [p.6] Soobin Cho, Bongwon Suh, and Joongseek Lee. 2022. "Hide Your Video, Show Your Action!" Investigating a New Video Conferencing Interface for Virtual Studying. In Companion Publication of the 2022 Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing (CSCW '22). [paper]
- [p.5] Sang Ah Park, Yoon Young Lee, Soobin Cho, Minjoon Kim, and Joongseek Lee. 2021. "Knock Knock, Here Is an Answer from Next Door": Designing a Knowledge Sharing Chatbot to Connect Residents: Community Chatbot Design Case Study. In Companion Publication of the 2021 Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing (CSCW '21). [paper]
- [p.4] Soobin Cho, Yoon Young Lee, Sang Ah Park, and Joongseek Lee. 2021. "Can Smart Speaker Be the 'SimSimi' for Single Households?": Study on the Use of Smart Speakers by Single Households. In Proceedings of HCI Korea 2021 (HCIK 2021). [paper]
- [p.3] Sang Ah Park, Soobin Cho, Yoon Young Lee, and Joongseek Lee. 2021. 'Naver Knowledge-in' in a Speaker: Designing a Voice-Based Knowledge Sharing Service. In Proceedings of HCI Korea 2021 (HCIK **2021**). [paper]
- [p.2] Soobin Cho, Bongwon Suh, and Joongseek Lee. 2020. Not Too Much, Nor Too Less: Investigating Which Information Should Be Shared for Awareness Between Remote Workers. In Companion Publication of the 2020 Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work and Social Computing (CSCW '20). [paper]
- [p.1] Soobin Cho and Joongseek Lee. 2020. Study on Auditory Cues for Conversation Separateness in AI Speaker Multi-Turn Services. In *Proceedings of HCI Korea 2020* (HCIK 2020). [paper]

Work Experience

Soft Berry Inc.

Seoul, South Korea Mar 2022 - Aug 2023

- UX Researcher, Product Team
- Led all user researches from setting research objective to designing and conducting research
- Worked with product managers to set product visions, goals, and design principles
- Includes one workshop, four surveys, 70+interviews, and content analysis of 5600+posts

UX Lab, Seoul National University

Graduate Research Assistant

Seoul, South Korea Sep 2019 - Feb 2022

- Managed two research projects as a project manager and conducted four personal research projects, overseeing and leading the entire process
- Includes one workshop, four field/case studies, and 80+interviews

Weber Shandwick Korea

Seoul, South Korea

Junior Associate, Consumer Marketing Team

Sep 2017 - Oct 2018

- Planned, conducted, and evaluated digital and print PR campaigns

Teaching Experience

Creative Fusion Seminar

Seoul National University

2020 Fall

Assisted undergraduate students in conducting user research and designing prototype

Information Technology Practice

Seoul National University

Teaching Assistant

Teaching Assistant

2020 Spring

Assisted undergraduate students in conducting user research and designing prototype

HONORS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Brain Korea 21 Four Scholarship

2020 Fall, 2021 Spring

Brain Korea 21 Plus Scholarship

2019 Fall, 2020 Spring

Ewha Womans University Honors Scholarship

2013 Fall, 2014 Fall, 2015 Fall, 2017 Spring

Ewha Womans University Dean's List

2013 Spring, 2014 Spring, 2014 Fall, 2016 Fall, 2017 Spring

INVITED TALKS

HCI Korea 2020 Tutorial Presentation

Aug 2020

Making 'Cool' Voice Service

REVIEW SERVICE

CSCW 2023, CHI 2022 Late-Breaking Work

RESEARCH SKILLS

Field study, case study, workshop, in-depth interview, survey, prototype building, prototype testing, content analysis, thematic analysis, statistical analysis, activity data analysis, data visualization, literature review